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## REMARKS

In a conference by telephone on March 20, 2003, the Examiner indicated that a claim on this form would likely be allowable.

Respectfully submitted,

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## APPENDIX

Please amend claim 11 as follows:

(Thrice Amended). An integrated circuit comprising:

an activation circuit to determine whether a supply voltage reaches a predetermined level, said activation circuit including an inverter coupled to the gate of a load transistor, a second transistor coupled to said load transistor and a third transistor coupled between said load transistor and said first transistor;

a pulse generator to generate pulses to indicate that a supply voltage is ramping up and to terminate the generation of the pulses after the supply voltage reaches a predetermined level; and

a feedback path to provide an output of said pulse generator to said activation circuit, [said feedback path including an inverter to create] the activation circuit to latch a high signal in response to a low signal on said feedback path.